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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97, attached hereto is a copy of the Form PTO-1449. The copies<sup>1</sup> of the documents listed thereon have been made of record in grandparent application Serial No. 08/963,524 filed November 3, 1997 and parent application Serial No. 09/457,203 filed December 6, 1999. These documents contain information which the Examiner

<sup>1</sup> Copies of the cited references were submitted in grandparent application Serial No. 08/963,524 and parent application Serial No. 09/457,203 and are not submitted here pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98.

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may consider to be important in deciding whether to allow the present application to issue as a patent.

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The present Disclosure Statement is also being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.56 as an Examiner might consider any cited document important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, but the citation of each document is not to be construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search and will determine the best prior art consistent with 37 CFR §§ 1.104(a) and 1.106(b), and in the course of such search will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

The Examiner is requested to consider the references referred hereto and initial the enclosed form PTO-1449 where indicated.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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